REED WILLIAM JR

Form 4

December 22, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * REED WILLIAM JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC ["WM"]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) 1301 5TH AV	(First) VENUE #280	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2005	_X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
SEATTLE, WA 98101				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	12/21/2005		M	5,000	A	\$ 39.53	135,924.52	D	
Common	12/21/2005		M	6,000	A	\$ 36.53	ŕ	D	
Common	12/21/2005		M	6,000	A	\$ 30.79	147,924.52	D	
Common	12/21/2005		M	6,000	A	\$ 33.42	153,924.52	D	
Common	12/21/2005		M	6,000	A	\$ 16.96	159,924.52	D	

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Common	12/21/2005	M	4,500	A	\$ 27.04	164,424.52	D
Common	12/21/2005	M	4,500	A	\$ 29.94	168,924.52	D
Common	12/21/2005	M	2,250	A	\$ 24.53	171,174.52	D
Common	12/21/2005	M	2,250	A	\$ 14	173,424.52	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number or Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Phantom Stock (1)	(2)	12/20/2005		A	203.25		(3)	(3)	Common	203.2:
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14	12/21/2005		M		2,250	<u>(4)</u>	02/20/2006	Common	2,250
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.53	12/21/2005		M		2,250	<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2007	Common	2,250
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.94	12/21/2005		M		4,500	<u>(4)</u>	02/17/2008	Common	4,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.04	12/21/2005		M		4,500	<u>(4)</u>	02/16/2009	Common	4,500
Stock Option	\$ 16.96	12/21/2005		M		6,000	<u>(4)</u>	12/21/2009	Common	6,000

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(Right to Buy)								
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.42	12/21/2005	M	6,000	<u>(4)</u>	12/19/2010	Common	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.79	12/21/2005	M	6,000	<u>(4)</u>	12/18/2011	Common	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.53	12/21/2005	M	6,000	<u>(4)</u>	12/17/2012	Common	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.53	12/21/2005	M	5,000	<u>(4)</u>	12/16/2013	Common	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
REED WILLIAM JR 1301 5TH AVENUE #2800 SEATTLE, WA 98101	X						

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher J. Bellavia,
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Phantom stock shares acquired under the Washington Mutual, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan through deferral of retainer.
- (2) Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Phantom stock distributed upon payment commencement date selected by the Reporting Person.
- (4) Grant of option pursuant to the Washington Mutual, Inc. 2003 Equity Incentive Plan; including predecessor plans. Option vested on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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